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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- · Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/20/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/20/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 09/20/2005
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 09/20/2005
- Copy of Article 19 Amendments filed on 09/20/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/20/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/20/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/20/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 09/20/2005
- Specification filed on 09/20/2005
- Claims filed on 09/20/2005
- Abstracts filed on 09/20/2005
- Drawings filed on 09/20/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27,

must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

\$65 Surcharge.

Additionally the following defects have been observed:

• Article 19 amendments have not been entered because the amendments have been replaced by the Article 34 annexes.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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